

The Chairman, Nancy Sura, called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm Wednesday, June 6, 2001.

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| Present: | Leonard Bertin, member      | Nancy Sura, member           |
|          | Angela J Done, member       | Dick Kuschinsky, member      |
|          | Dorie House, member         | Nancy Johnson, member        |
|          | John Rodgers, member        | Cynthia Buchanan, alt member |
|          | Jerry Ong, student rep      | Shreyas Patel, student rep   |
|          | Mitch Grusnick, staff       | Mary McGinnis, staff         |
| Absent:  | Phillip D'Anna, member      | Sharon Connelly, member      |
|          | Mary Ann Butler, alt member | Kul B Gauri, alt member      |

## **ITEM B – APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF May 2, 2001.**

Motion by Bertin  
Supported by Kuschinsky

## **ITEM C – VISITORS, DELEGATIONS AND GENERAL PUBLIC**

Jo Rhoads – Troy Medi-Go and Senior Advisory Committee  
Annette Kingsbury – Troy Eccentric Newspaper

## **ITEM D – NEW BUSINESS**

Nancy Sura explained the purpose of this Committee for new members and guests. She passed out a 1998 report prepared by this Committee titled New Troy Community/Civic Center.

Sura motioned the nomination of Leonard Bertin as chairperson and Angie Done as vice chairperson. Motion by Kuschinsky and supported by Rodgers to close nominations. All voted in favor of closing nominations and in support of Bertin for Chairperson and Done for Vice-Chairperson.

Sura highlighted accomplishments of this Committee during her leadership such as the appointment of a student representative and expanding the Committee to 12 members. This Committee has also helped identify some needs of the community with the Community Block Program, Medi-Go, and the design and function at the new Community Center.

Sura also stated that more cross communication between Committees has developed, and that having City Staff Representatives attend our meetings has been a wonderful addition.

Bertin stated that he would like to see a specific place provided at the Library that the general public could use to obtain information on disability issues. Between Bertin and Johnson they have a lot of information or could suggest materials that could be useful, but it needs to be in a centralized place to be readily available.

## **ITEM E – REGULAR BUSINESS**

Bertin suggested that since Carla Vaughan is the ADA representative for the City, that she should be invited to one of our meetings to explain what her duties are in this area.

Mitch Grusnick spoke to Mark Stimac, Director of Building and Zoning, about giving this Committee the opportunity to review the plans of improvements to City owned buildings. Mr. Stimac agreed to this idea and will send plans when they become available.

## **ITEM F – OLD BUSINESS**

Bertin had a comment on the quality of service of the Home Chore Program. The service of lawn mowing is poor, the lawn is not cut on time, they do not complete weed whacking, his downspouts have been driven over with the mowers and there are gouges in the trees. Bertin suggested that someone from Bill Needs office should make some type of spot inspection to see if the quality of work is up to City's standards.

Bertin has talked to Carol Anderson from the Community Center concerning the accessibility of the Nature Center to persons with disabilities. Anderson has stated that she is amenable to purchasing a four-wheel outdoor scooter with 12" wheels for persons with disabilities to use on the trails.

Sura stated that she has taken over as teacher of the Adaptive Computer Club at the Community Center, Patel will be her assistant. The club has 8 kids at the present time and are hoping to eventually make it a drop in program.

## **ITEM G – INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Jo Rhodes the founder of Troy Medi-Go and a member of the Advisory Committee for Senior Citizens was a guest at the meeting. Sura asked if there were unmet needs at Medi-Go? Rhodes stated that there are a few so Medi-Go has to prioritize at times. Cancer, radiation, dialyses and chemo patients are prioritized rides. Rhodes stated that Independence for Life is going to disband and has given Medi-Go their two vans, but stated that they still need two more vans, one with a lift.

## **ITEM H - ADJOURN**

Motion was made to adjourn by Done and seconded by House. Meeting was adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

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